TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

FISCAL NOTE



HB 184 - SB 1379

February 26, 2017

SUMMARY OF BILL: Authorizes persons 65 years of age or older, who have never been issued a birth certificate, to obtain a photo identification license for voting purposes upon furnishing certain forms of identification and signing an affidavit.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- Under current law, pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 55-50-336(a), any person 18 years of age or older may be issued a photo identification license, upon submission of a satisfactory application and proof of identity.
- Proof of identity may be furnished by birth certificate or other documents as prescribed by the Department of Safety and Homeland Security.
- The proposed language will authorize persons 65 years of age or older without a birth certificate to establish proof of their identity by providing their social security card, Medicare card, or health insurance card.
- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. §55-50-336(g), a photo identification license shall be issued free of charge to a person, if the person signs an affidavit stating the person does not have a valid government issued photo identification, is a registered voter of this state, and needs the photo identification for voting purposes.
- Extending the acceptable methods of proving one's identify for purposes of obtaining a free photo identification for voting purposes will not result in any significant fiscal impact to state or local government.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Krista M. Lee, Executive Director

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